(c) if so, the details thereof and by when it is likely to be introduced?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI) : (a) to (c) There are some cadres in Group 'C' and 'D' posts without promotional avenues or with inadequate promotional prospects. Government are considering a scheme for providing one-time promotion in the service career of all such employees. Final decision in this regard is likely to be taken soon.

Deposit of Public Provident Funds in the SBI

*3553-B. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) What are the rules with regard to maintaining Public Provident Fund Accounts in the State Bank of India by individuals;

(b) What are the provisions in the said rules regarding refund/withdrawal of money deposited under Public Provident Fund Accounts by the payees; and

(c) Whether Government propose to liberalise the present refund/withdrawal rules to encourage more depositors in Public Provident Funds Accounts since the present rules do not permit easy withdrawals/refunds of the moneys deposited?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI) : (a) Any individual may on his own behalf or on behalf of minor of whom he is the guardian, subscribe to the Public Provident Fund any amount not less than Rs. 100/- and not more than Rs. 60,000/- in a year. An individual may also subscribe to the fund on behalf of a Hindu Undivided Family.

(b) Any time after the expiry of 5 years from the end of the year, in which the initial subscription was made, account holder may, if he so desires, withdraw from the balance to his credit an amount not exceeding 50% of the amount that stood to his credit at the end of the 4th year immediately preceding the year of withdrawal or at the end of the preceding year, whichever is lower, less the amount of loan, if any, drawn by him, which remains to be repaid, provided that not more than one withdrawal shall be permissible during any one year :

Nothwithsanding the above provision, any time after the expiry of 15 years from the end of the year in which the initial subscription was made by him, account holder may, if he so desires, withdraw the entire balance standing to his credit.

(c) At present there is no proposal.

*Previously Unstarred Question No. 3572 transferred from 7th September, 1990.

Announcement by the Chairman Reg. Constitution of a Joint Sub-Committee to consider telecast of Parliament Proceedings

MR. CHAIRMAN : I have to inform Members that I have received a communication from the Speaker, Lok Sabha regarding the constitution of a Joint Sub-Committee of the General Purposes Committee of both the Houses on 'Telecasting of the Proceedings of the Houses' to consider the desirability, technological feasibility and cost involved for making provision for telecasting the proceedings of both the Houses. The Joint Sub-Committee will consist of nine Members including three Members of the General Purposes Committee of the Rajya Sabha.

I have nominated Shri P. Shiv Shanker, Dr. Bapu Kaldate and Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee. Members of the General Purposes Committee to the Joint Sub-Committee of the General Purposes Committees of both the Houses.

Reg. the matter relating to high judicial appointments

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI) : Mr. Chairman, Sir, on a discussion in this House, an issue came up for placing certain files in your Chamber regarding high judicial appointments. Sir, when I came

to you seeking your guidance, you suggested in your wisdom that the matter relates to high judicial appointments, myself and the Leader of the Opposition may sort out this matter. Accordingly we both met and we thought that since this matter relates to high judicial appointments, the matter may not be pursued, of course, with the approval of the House because this matter became a subject matter of the House. Therefore, we both feel that the matter may not be pursued. We have gone by your direction and I appeal to the House that the matter may be closed.

THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER) : Mr. Chairman, Sir, since I am also a party to the mandate, therefore, let me submit that both of us have discussed this isue and the hon. Minister was pleased to observe that while appointments were Constitutional and bona fide and if I go into those details...

SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE (Madhya Pradesh) : You are going into the details.

SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER : I am not going.

अरे, भाई सुन तो लीजिए, फिर बोलिएगा ।

If I go into the details by inspecting, then, both of us have to come and report. Therefore, we thought that we should not discuss about the sitting Judges here and the report should not be made. That is why I have not inspected. We have not gone into the records and we thought that we are satisfied. If it is still the mandate of the House... *(Interruptions)*...

MR. CHAIRMAN : I hope you are not suggesting to your Leader.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE (Maharashtra) : The matter is closed.

MR. CHAIRMAN : That is right. Everybody has agreed. So the House agrees that the matter is closed.

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE) : There is a mandate that we should keep quiet.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Now Papers to be laid on the Table.

(THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN IN THE CHAIR)

Papers laid on the Table

I. Notifications of the Ministry of Textiles.

II. Report and Accounts (1988-89) *of the National Water Development Agency, New Delhi.*

वस्त्र मंत्री साथ में खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्रालय का अतिरिक्त प्रभार (श्री शरद यादव) : मैं निम्नलिखित पत्र सभा पटल पर रखता हूं :—

I (i) केन्द्रीय रेशम बोर्ड अधिनियम, 1948 की धारा 13 की उपधारा (3) के अधीन केन्द्रीय रेशम बोर्ड (समेकित) भर्ती नियम, 1989 को प्रकाशित करने वाली वस्त्र मंत्रालय की अधिसूचना सा. का. नि. सं. 51 (अ), दिनांक 5 फरवरी, 1990 की एक प्रति (अंग्रेजी तथा हिन्दी में) [पुस्तकालय में रखी गई । देखिए सं. एल. टी.-1396/90]

(ii) केन्द्रीय रेशम बोर्ड अधिनियम, 1948 की धारा 13 के अधीन केन्द्रीय रेशम बोर्ड कर्मचारी पेंशन निधि नियमावली 1966 को निरस्त करने वाली वस्त्र मंत्रालय की अधिसूचना सा. का. नि. सं. 2088, दिनांक 18 अगस्त, 1990 की एक प्रति (अंग्रेजी तथा हिन्दी में) । [पुस्तकालय में रखी गई । देखिए सं. एल. टी. 1427/90]

II 1988-89 के वर्ष के लिए राष्ट्रीय जल विकास अभिकरण, नई दिल्ली के वार्षिक प्रतिवेदन और लेखाओं, लेखाओं पर लेखापरीक्षकों के प्रतिवेदन सहित, की एक प्रति (अंग्रेजी तथा हिन्दी में) [पुस्तकालय में रखी गई । देखिए सं. एल. टी.-1399/90]